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SUBJECT:LETTER FROM RICHMOND TO VENEDICTOV: ARTIFICIAL
HEART COOPERATION (03.02)

1. HEW/OIH REQUESTS FOLLOWING LETTER BE DELIVERED TO
DR. VENEDICTOV AS SOON AS POSSIBLE (HOPEFULLY BEFORE
SHUMAKOV DEPARTS FOR USA). THANK YOU.

'DEAR DR. VENEDICTOV: AT THE TIME OF THE SIXTH SESSION OF
THE JOINT COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH COOPERATION WE AGREED TO
DEFER ACTION ON THE SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS OF OCTOBER 1977
CONCERNING THE PROPOSALS OF OUR COORDINATORS FOR FUTURE
WORK UNDER THE AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION IN ARTIFICIAL HEART
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT. AS YOU WILL RECALL, WE POINTED
OUT THAT FULFILLMENT OF THE COORDINATORS NEW PROPOSALS
WOULD REQUIRE A MAJOR REALLOCATION OF PRIORITIES AND
RESOURCES BY OUR NATIONAL HEART, LUNG AND BLOOD INSTITUTE
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AND THUS WOULD REQUIRE CAREFUL REVIEW ON THE U.S. SIDE.
IN VIEW OF THE VERY SHORT TIME BETWEEN THE MEETING OF THE
COORDINATORS AND THE SESSION OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE, THE
NECESSARY QUESTIONS COULD NOT BE ADEQUATELY CONSIDERED.

WE HAVE STUDIED THE MATTER CAREFULLY IN THE INTERVENING
MONTHS. WE HAVE NOTED WITH PLEASURE THE PROGRESS AND

DEVELOPMENTS IN OUR ARTIFICIAL HEART COOPERATION.
HOWEVER, WE CANNOT AGREE TO IMPLEMENT THE PROPOSALS OF
OUR COORDINATORS CONTAINED IN THE SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS
OF OCTOBER 1977. OF COURSE, WE WANT OUR COOPERATION IN
THIS AREA TO CONTINUE AND WE PROPOSE IT CONTINUE AT ITS
PRESENT SCALE. THIS WE SUPPORT ENTHUSIASTICALLY AND WILL
DO EVERYTHING TO ASSIST.

YOU MAY BE ASSURED THAT WE ALL LOOK FORWARD TO DR.
SHUMAKOV'S VISIT IN APRIL AND TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF
MUTUALLY AGREEABLE PLANS OF CONTINUED COLLABORATION. WE
TRUST THAT THERE WILL BE CONTINUED SUCCESSES IN THIS AS
IN ALL AREAS OF OUR COOPERATION. SINCERELY, JULIUS B.
RICHMOND, M.D., ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH. CHRISTOPHER

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